SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK		
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In re	:	Chapter 11 Case No
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SIGA TECHNOLOGIES, INC.,	:	14-12623 (SHL)
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Debtor.	:	
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# ORDER PURSUANT TO 11 U.S.C. § 327(a) AND FED. R. BANKR. P. 2014(a) AUTHORIZING EMPLOYMENT AND RETENTION OF PRIME CLERK LLC AS ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT FOR DEBTOR NUNC PRO TUNC TO COMMENCEMENT DATE

Upon the Application, dated October 17, 2014 (the "Application") of SIGA

Technologies, Inc. (the "Debtor"), pursuant to section 327(a) of title 11, United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code") and Rule 2014(a) of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the "Bankruptcy Rules"), for entry of an order authorizing the employment and retention of Prime

Clerk LLC ("Prime Clerk") as administrative agent ("Administrative Agent"), nunc pro tunc to the Commencement Date, all as more fully described in the Application; and upon the Declaration of Michael J. Frishberg, annexed to the Application as Exhibit "A" (the "Frishberg

Declaration"); and the Court being satisfied, based on the representations made in the Application and the Frishberg Declaration, that Prime Clerk has the capability and experience to provide the services described in the Application and that Prime Clerk is "disinterested" as such term is defined in section 101(14) of the Bankruptcy Code, as modified by section 1107(b) of the Bankruptcy Code, and as required under section 327(a) of the Bankruptcy Code, and that Prime

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to such terms in the Application.

Clerk represents no interest adverse to the Debtor's estate with respect to the matters upon which it is to be engaged; and the Court having jurisdiction to consider the Application and the relief requested therein in accordance with 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334 and Amended Standing Order M-431, dated January 31, 2012 (Preska, C.J.); and consideration of the Application and the relief requested therein being a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b); and venue being proper before this Court pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409; and due and proper notice of the Application having been provided, and it appearing that no other or further notice need be provided; and a hearing having been held to consider the relief requested in the Application (the "Hearing"); and upon the record of the Hearing and all of the proceedings had before the Court; and the Court having found and determined that the relief sought in the Application is in the best interests of the Debtor, its estate, creditors, and all parties in interest and that the legal and factual bases set forth in the Application establish just cause for the relief granted herein; and after due deliberation and sufficient cause appearing therefor, it is

ORDERED that the Application is approved as provided herein; and it is further ORDERED that the Debtor is authorized to employ and retain Prime Clerk as Administrative Agent effective *nunc pro tunc* to the Commencement Date under the terms of the engagement agreement annexed hereto as **Exhibit "1"** (the "**Engagement Agreement**"), including, without limitation, the Indemnification Provision, all as contemplated by the Application, and Prime Clerk is authorized to perform the bankruptcy administration services described in the Application and set forth in the Engagement Agreement; and it is further

ORDERED that Prime Clerk is authorized to take such other action to comply with all duties set forth in the Application; and it is further

ORDERED that Prime Clerk shall apply to the Court for allowance of compensation and reimbursement of expenses incurred after the Commencement Date in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules, the Local Rules, the Fee Guidelines, and any orders entered in this chapter 11 case regarding professional compensation and reimbursement of expenses; and it is further

ORDERED that all requests by Prime Clerk for the payment of indemnification as set forth in the Engagement Agreement shall be made by means of an application to the Court and shall be subject to review by the Court to ensure that payment of such indemnity conforms to the terms of the Engagement Agreement and is reasonable under the circumstances of the proceeding in respect of which indemnity is sought; *provided*, *however*, that in no event shall Prime Clerk be indemnified in the case of its own bad faith, self-dealing, breach of fiduciary duty (if any), gross negligence, or willful misconduct; and it is further

ORDERED that in no event shall Prime Clerk be indemnified if the Debtor or a representative of the estate asserts a claim for, and a Court determines by final order that such claim arose out of, Prime Clerk's own bad faith, self-dealing, breach of fiduciary duty (if any), gross negligence, or willful misconduct; and it is further

ORDERED that in the event that Prime Clerk seeks reimbursement from the Debtor for attorneys' fees and expenses in connection with the payment of an indemnity claim pursuant to the Engagement Agreement, the invoices and supporting time records for the attorneys' fees and expenses shall be included in Prime Clerk's own applications, both interim and final, but determined by this Court after notice and a hearing; and it is further

ORDERED that Prime Clerk shall provide ten (10) business days' notice to the Debtor, the United States Trustee for the Southern District of New York, and any statutory

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committee appointed in this chapter 11 case in connection with any increase of the rates listed in

the Engagement Agreement; and it is further

ORDERED that the Debtor and Prime Clerk are authorized to take all actions

necessary to effectuate the relief granted pursuant to this Order in accordance with the

Application; and it is further

ORDERED that notwithstanding any provision in the Bankruptcy Rules to the

contrary, this Order shall be immediately effective and enforceable upon its entry; and it is further

ORDERED that in the event of any inconsistency between the Engagement

Agreement, the Application, and the Order, the Order shall govern; and it is further

ORDERED that this Court shall retain jurisdiction to hear and determine all

matters arising from or related to this Order.

Dated: November 14, 2014

New York, New York

/s/ Sean H. Lane

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE

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#### Exhibit 1

**Engagement Agreement** 



#### **Prime Clerk LLC Engagement Agreement**

This Agreement is entered into as of September 15, 2014 between Prime Clerk LLC ("*Prime Clerk*") and SIGA Technologies, Inc. (together with its affiliates and subsidiaries, the "*Company*").<sup>1</sup>

In consideration of the promises set forth herein and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto agree as follows:

#### 1. Services

- (a) Prime Clerk agrees to provide the Company with consulting services regarding legal noticing, claims management and reconciliation, plan solicitation, balloting, disbursements, preparation of schedules of assets and liabilities and statements of financial affairs, communications, confidential online workspaces or data rooms (publication to which shall not violate the confidentiality provisions of this Agreement) and any other services agreed upon by the parties or otherwise required by applicable law, governmental regulations or court rules or orders (all such services collectively, the "Services").
- (b) The Company acknowledges and agrees that Prime Clerk will often take direction from the Company's representatives, employees, agents and/or professionals (collectively, the "Company Parties") with respect to providing Services hereunder. The parties agree that Prime Clerk may rely upon, and the Company agrees to be bound by, any requests, advice or information provided by the Company Parties to the same extent as if such requests, advice or information were provided by the Company.
- (c) The Company agrees and understands that Prime Clerk shall not provide the Company or any other party with legal advice.

#### 2. Rates, Expenses and Payment

- (a) Prime Clerk will provide the Services on an as-needed basis and upon request or agreement of the Company, in each case in accordance with the rate structure attached hereto and incorporated by reference herein (the "Rate Structure"). The Company agrees to pay for reasonable out of pocket expenses incurred by Prime Clerk in connection with providing Services hereunder.
- (b) The Rate Structure sets forth individual unit pricing for each of the Services. The Company may request separate Services or all of the Services.
- (c) Prime Clerk will bill the Company no less frequently than monthly. All invoices shall be due and payable upon receipt. Where an expense to be incurred is expected to exceed \$10,000 (e.g., publication notice), Prime Clerk may require advance or direct payment from the Company before the performance of Services hereunder. If any amount is unpaid as of 30 days after delivery of an invoice, the Company agrees to pay a late charge equal to 1.5% of the total amount unpaid every 30 days.
- (d) In case of a good faith dispute with respect to an invoice amount, the Company shall provide a detailed written notice of such dispute to Prime Clerk within 10 days of receipt of the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Company shall include, to the extent applicable, the Company, as debtor and debtor in possession in any chapter 11 case, together with any affiliated debtors and debtors in possession whose chapter 11 cases are jointly administered with the Company's chapter 11 case.



- invoice. The undisputed portion of the invoice will remain due and payable immediately upon receipt thereof. Late charges shall not accrue on any amounts disputed in good faith.
- (e) The Company shall pay any fees and expenses for Services relating to, arising out of or resulting from any error or omission made by the Company or the Company Parties.
- (f) The Company shall pay or reimburse any taxes that are applicable to Services performed hereunder or that are measured by payments made hereunder and are required to be collected by Prime Clerk or paid by Prime Clerk to a taxing authority.
- (g) Upon execution of this Agreement, the Company shall pay Prime Clerk a retainer of \$20,000. Prime Clerk shall hold such retainer as security for the Company's payment of fees and expenses hereunder. Prime Clerk may apply its retainer to all prepetition invoices, which retainer then shall be replenished immediately by the Company to the original retainer amount; thereafter, Prime Clerk may hold such retainer as security for the Company's payment of fees and expenses hereunder.
- (h) Prime Clerk reserves the right to make reasonable increases to the Rate Structure on an annual basis effective on the first business day of each year. If such annual increases represent an increase greater than 10% from the previous year's levels, Prime Clerk shall provide 30 days' notice to the Company of such increases.

#### 3. Retention in Bankruptcy Case

- (a) If the Company commences a case pursuant to title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code"), the Company promptly shall file applications with the Bankruptcy Court to retain Prime Clerk (i) as claims and noticing agent pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 156(c) and (ii) as administrative advisor pursuant to section 327(a) of the Bankruptcy Code for all Services that fall outside the scope of 28 U.S.C. § 156(c). The form and substance of such applications and any order approving them shall be reasonably acceptable to Prime Clerk.
- (b) If any Company chapter 11 case converts to a case under chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code, Prime Clerk will continue to be paid for Services pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 156(c) and the terms hereunder.

#### 4. Confidentiality

- (a) The Company and Prime Clerk agree to keep confidential all non-public records, systems, procedures, software and other information received from the other party in connection with the Services provided hereunder; provided, however, that if any such information was publicly available, already in the party's possession or known to it, independently developed, lawfully obtained from a third party or required to be disclosed by law, then a party shall bear no responsibility for publicly disclosing such information.
- (b) If either party reasonably believes that it is required to disclose any confidential information pursuant to an order from a governmental authority, such party shall provide written notice to the other party promptly after receiving such order, to allow the other party sufficient time to seek any remedy available under applicable law to prevent disclosure of the information.



#### 5. Property Rights

Prime Clerk reserves all property rights in and to all materials, concepts, creations, inventions, works of authorship, improvements, designs, innovations, ideas, discoveries, know-how, techniques, programs, systems, specifications, applications, processes, routines, manuals, documentation and any other information or property (collectively, "*Property*") furnished by Prime Clerk for itself or for use by the Company hereunder. Fees and expenses paid by the Company do not vest in the Company any rights in such Property. Such Property is only being made available for the Company's use during and in connection with the Services provided by Prime Clerk hereunder.

#### 6. Bank Accounts

At the request of the Company or the Company Parties, Prime Clerk shall be authorized to establish accounts with financial institutions in the name of and as agent for the Company to facilitate distributions pursuant to chapter 11 plan or other transaction. To the extent that certain financial products are provided to the Company pursuant to Prime Clerk's agreement with financial institutions, Prime Clerk may receive compensation from such institutions for the services Prime Clerk provides pursuant to such agreement.

#### 7. Term and Termination

- (a) This Agreement shall remain in effect until terminated by either party: (i) on 30 days' prior written notice to other party; or (ii) immediately upon written notice for Cause (as defined herein). "Cause" means (i) gross negligence or willful misconduct of Prime Clerk that causes material harm to the Company's restructuring under chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code, (ii) the failure of the Company to pay Prime Clerk invoices for more than 60 days from the date of invoice or (iii) the accrual of invoices or unpaid Services in excess of the retainer held by Prime Clerk where Prime Clerk reasonably believes it will not be paid.
- (b) If this Agreement is terminated after Prime Clerk is retained pursuant to Bankruptcy Court order, the Company promptly shall seek entry of a Bankruptcy Court order discharging Prime Clerk of its duties under such retention, which order shall be in form and substance reasonably acceptable to Prime Clerk.
- (c) If this Agreement is terminated, the Company shall remain liable for all amounts then accrued and/or due and owing to Prime Clerk hereunder.
- (d) If this Agreement is terminated, Prime Clerk shall coordinate with the Company and, to the extent applicable, the clerk of the Bankruptcy Court, to maintain an orderly transfer of record keeping functions, and Prime Clerk shall provide the necessary staff, services and assistance required for such an orderly transfer. The Company agrees to pay for such Services pursuant to the Rate Structure.

#### 8. No Representations or Warranties

Prime Clerk makes no representations or warranties, express or implied, including, without limitation, any express or implied warranty of merchantability, fitness or adequacy for a particular purpose or use, quality, productiveness or capacity.



#### 9. Indemnification

- (a) To the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, the Company shall indemnify and hold harmless Prime Clerk and its members, directors, officers, employees, representatives, affiliates, consultants, subcontractors and agents (collectively, the "Indemnified Parties") from and against any and all losses, claims, damages, judgments, liabilities and expenses, whether direct or indirect (including, without limitation, counsel fees and expenses) (collectively, "Losses") resulting from, arising out of or related to Prime Clerk's performance hereunder. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, Losses include any liabilities resulting from claims by any third parties against any Indemnified Party.
- (b) Prime Clerk and the Company shall notify each other in writing promptly upon the assertion, threat or commencement of any claim, action, investigation or proceeding that either party becomes aware of with respect to the Services provided hereunder.
- (c) The Company's indemnification of Prime Clerk hereunder shall exclude Losses resulting from Prime Clerk's gross negligence or willful misconduct.
- (d) The Company's indemnification obligations hereunder shall survive the termination of this Agreement.

#### 10. Limitations of Liability

Except as expressly provided herein, Prime Clerk's liability to the Company for any Losses, unless due to Prime Clerk's gross negligence or willful misconduct, shall be limited to the total amount paid by the Company for the portion of the particular work that gave rise to the alleged Loss. In no event shall Prime Clerk's liability to the Company for any Losses arising out of this Agreement exceed the total amount actually paid to Prime Clerk for Services provided hereunder. In no event shall Prime Clerk be liable for any indirect, special or consequential damages (such as loss of anticipated profits or other economic loss) in connection with or arising out of the Services provided hereunder.

#### 11. Company Data

- (a) The Company is responsible for, and Prime Clerk does not verify, the accuracy of the programs, data and other information it or any Company Party submits for processing to Prime Clerk and for the output of such information, including, without limitation, with respect to preparation of statements of financial affairs and schedules of assets and liabilities (collectively, "SOFAs and Schedules"). Prime Clerk bears no responsibility for the accuracy and content of SOFAs and Schedules, and the Company is deemed hereunder to have approved and reviewed all SOFAs and Schedules filed on its behalf.
- (b) The Company agrees, represents and warrants to Prime Clerk that before delivery of any information to Prime Clerk: (i) the Company has full authority to deliver such information to Prime Clerk; and (ii) Prime Clerk is authorized to use such information to perform Services hereunder.
- (c) Any data, storage media, programs or other materials furnished to Prime Clerk by the Company may be retained by Prime Clerk until the Services provided hereunder are paid in full. The Company shall remain liable for all fees and expenses incurred by Prime Clerk under this Agreement as a result of data, storage media or other materials maintained, stored or disposed of by Prime Clerk. Any such disposal shall be in a manner requested by or



acceptable to the Company; provided that if the Company has not utilized Prime Clerk's Services for a period of 90 days or more, Prime Clerk may dispose of any such materials, and be reimbursed by the Company for the expense of such disposition, after giving the Company 30 days' notice. The Company agrees to initiate and maintain backup files that would allow the Company to regenerate or duplicate all programs, data or information provided by the Company to Prime Clerk.

(d) If Prime Clerk is retained pursuant to Bankruptcy Court order, disposal of any Company data, storage media or other materials shall comply with any applicable court orders and rules or clerk's office instructions.

#### 12. Non-Solicitation

The Company agrees that neither it nor any of its subsidiaries or affiliates shall directly or indirectly solicit for employment, employ or otherwise retain as employees, consultants or otherwise, any employees of Prime Clerk during the term of this Agreement and for a period of 12 months after termination thereof unless Prime Clerk provides prior written consent to such solicitation or retention.

#### 13. Force Majeure

Whenever performance by Prime Clerk of any of its obligations hereunder is materially prevented or impacted by reason of any act of God, government requirement, strike, lock-out or other industrial or transportation disturbance, fire, flood, epidemic, lack of materials, law, regulation or ordinance, act of terrorism, war or war condition, or by reason of any other matter beyond Prime Clerk's reasonable control, then such performance shall be excused, and this Agreement shall be deemed suspended during the continuation of such prevention and for a reasonable time thereafter.

#### 14. Choice of Law

The validity, enforceability and performance of this Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York.

#### 15. Arbitration

Any dispute arising out of or relating to this Agreement or the breach thereof shall be finally resolved by arbitration administered by the American Arbitration Association under its Commercial Arbitration Rules, and judgment upon the award rendered by the arbitrators may be entered in any court having jurisdiction. There shall be three arbitrators named in accordance with such rules. The arbitration shall be conducted in the English language in New York, New York in accordance with the United States Arbitration Act.

#### 16. Integration; Severability; Modifications; Assignment

(a) Each party acknowledges that it has read this Agreement, understands it and agrees to be bound by its terms and further agrees that it is the complete and exclusive statement of the agreement between the parties, which supersedes and merges all prior proposals,



- understandings, agreements and communications between the parties relating to the subject matter hereof.
- (b) If any provision of this Agreement shall be held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable, the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions shall in no way be affected or impaired thereby.
- (c) This Agreement may be modified only by a writing duly executed by an authorized representative of the Company and an officer of Prime Clerk.
- (d) This Agreement and the rights and duties hereunder shall not be assignable by the parties hereto except upon written consent of the other; provided, however, that Prime Clerk may assign this Agreement to a wholly-owned subsidiary or affiliate without the Company's consent.

#### 17. Effectiveness of Counterparts

This Agreement may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which will be deemed an original, but all of which shall constitute one and the same agreement. This Agreement will become effective when one or more counterparts have been signed by each of the parties and delivered to the other party, which delivery may be made by exchange of copies of the signature page by fax or email.

#### 18. Notices

All notices and requests in connection with this Agreement shall be sufficiently given or made if given or made in writing via hand delivery, overnight courier, U.S. Mail (postage prepaid) or email, and addressed as follows:

If to Prime Clerk: Prime Clerk LLC

830 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue, 9<sup>th</sup> Floor New York, NY 10022 Attn: Shai Waisman Tel: (212) 257-5450

Email: <a href="mailto:swaisman@primeclerk.com">swaisman@primeclerk.com</a>

If to the Company: SIGA Technologies, Inc.

660 Madison Avenue, Suite 1700

New York, NY 10065 Attn: Daniel J. Luckshire Tel: (212) 672-9100

Email: <u>Dluckshire@Siga.Com</u>

With a copy to: Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP

767 Fifth Avenue New York, NY 10153

Attn: Stephen Karotkin, Esq.

Tel: (212) 310-8350

Email: Stephen.Karotkin@Weil.Com



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement effective as of the date first above written.

Prime Clerk LC

By: Shai Waisman

Title: Chief Executive Officer

SIGA Technologies, Inc.

By: Daniel J. Luckshire

Title: Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

### Rates

#### Claim and Noticing Rates<sup>1</sup>

Title	Hourly Rate
Analyst	\$45
The Analyst processes incoming proofs of claim, ballots and return mail, and physically	
executes outgoing mailings with adherence to strict quality control standards.	
Technology Consultant	\$125
The Technology Consultant provides database support for complex reporting requests	
and administers complicated variable data mailings.	
Consultant	\$135
The Consultant is the day-to-day contact for mailings, updates the case website, prepares	
and executes affidavits of service, responds to creditor inquiries and maintains the	
official claim register, including processing of claims objections and transfers.	
Senior Consultant	\$165
The Senior Consultant directs the data collection process for the master mailing list and	
Schedules & SOFA, oversees all mailings, performs quality control checks on all claims	
and ballots, and generates claim and ballot reports.	
Director	\$190
The Director is the lead contact for the company, counsel and advisors on the case	
engagement and oversees all aspects of the bankruptcy administration, including	
managing the internal case team. In many instances, the executives of Prime Clerk will	
serve in this role at this rate.	
Solicitation, Balloting and Tabulation Rates	
Solicitation Consultant	\$190
The Solicitation Consultant reviews, tabulates and audits ballots, and executes plan	
solicitation and other public securities mailings. In addition, the Solicitation Analyst	
prepares customized reports relating to voting and other corporate events (such as	
exchange offers and rights subscriptions) and interfaces with banks, brokers, nominees,	
depositories and their agents regarding solicitations and other communications.	
Director of Solicitation	\$210
The Director of Solicitation is the lead consultant in the plan solicitation process. The	
Director oversees and coordinates soliciting creditor votes on a plan of reorganization	
and will attest to solicitation processes and results. The Director also advises on public	
securities noticing and related actions, including voting, exchange offers, treatment	
elections, rights subscriptions and distributions and coordinates with banks, brokers,	
nominees, their agents and depositories to ensure the smooth execution of these	
processes.	
Printing and Noticing Services	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Prime Clerk does not charge overtime for any professional services it performs on weekends, holidays or after standard business hours. Additional professional services not covered by this rate structure will be charged at hourly rates, including any outsourced services performed under our supervision and control.



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Printing	\$0.10 per page <sup>2</sup>
Customization/Envelope Printing	\$0.05 each
Document folding and inserting	No charge
Postage/Overnight Delivery	Preferred Rates
E-mail Noticing	No charge
Fax Noticing	\$0.10 per page
Proof of Claim Acknowledgment Card	\$0.10 per card
Envelopes	Varies by Size
Newspaper and Legal Notice Publishing	
Coordinate and publish legal notices	Available on request
Case Website	
Case Website setup	No charge
Case Website hosting	No charge
Update case docket and claims register	No charge
Client Access	
Access to secure client login (unlimited users)	No charge
Client customizable reports on demand or via scheduled email delivery (unlimited quantity)	No charge
Real time dashboard analytics measuring claim and ballot information and document processing status	No charge
Data Administration and Management	
Inputting proofs of claim and ballots	Standard hourly rates (no per claim or ballot charge)
Electronic Imaging	\$0.12 per image
Data Storage, maintenance and security	\$0.10 per record per month
Virtual Data Rooms	Available on request
Virtual Data Rooms On-line Claim Filing Services	Available on request

#### On-line Claim Filling Services



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Volume discounts will be applied to large mailings

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On-line claim filing	No charge
Call Center Services	
Case-specific voice-mail box	No charge
Interactive Voice Response ("IVR")	Set-up fee waived,
	\$0.34 per minute
Monthly maintenance	No charge
Call center personnel	Standard hourly rates
Live chat	Standard hourly rates
Disbursement Services	
Check issuance and/or Form 1099	Available on request
W-9 mailing and maintenance of TIN database	Standard hourly rates